Executive Proclamation State of South Dakota Office of the Governor

Whereas, South Dakota was founded with hard work, perseverance, dedication to duty, and concern for others; and,

Whereas, On April 1, 1979, Frances "Francie" Larsen began her career as Deputy Register of Deeds and 4 years later was elected Register of Deeds, the longest serving elected official for Custer County; and,

Whereas, Francie developed "same day turn around" on all documents utilizing the new "Scanfile System", and her library skills were exceptionally valuable while researching data for the BEACON WEBSITE developed for Custer County; and,

Whereas, Francie served the South Dakota Association of County Officials as a Group Leader before it had a director, and held numerous offices and committee assignments, assisting in the construction of a Chapel in the Youth Forestry Camp in Custer State Park to honor Governor George S. Mickelson; and,

Whereas, Francie is a charter member of the Custer County Republican Women, serving as its President, Program Chairperson, and State Committeewoman; and,

Whereas, Francie and husband, Dannie, will have been married 48 years on August 6, 2009, and have been blessed with two children and six grandchildren; and,

Whereas, It is fitting and proper as Governor to recognize the many accomplishments of this employee at the time of her retirement:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim June 30, 2009, as

FRANCES LARSEN DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with her family and friends in wishing her well in her retirement and thanking her for her service.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Tenth Day of June in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State